

STATE OF MAINE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2004-64

May 4, 2004

TOUCH AMERICA, INC.  
Request to Abandon Service

ORDER GRANTING  
REQUEST TO ABANDON  
SERVICE

WELCH, Chairman; DIAMOND and REISHUS, Commissioners

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On January 26, 2004, Touch America, Inc. (Touch America) filed a request to abandon service pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1104(1). In support of its request, Touch America stated that it does not have customers in Maine.

The Commission granted Touch America authority to provide interexchange service in Docket No. 2000-924.

Because there are a large number of competitive interexchange telephone utilities available to provide service in Maine, we grant the request to abandon service.

Dated at Augusta, Maine this 4<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2004.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

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Dennis L. Keschl  
Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR:      Welch  
   Diamond  
   Reishus

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3. Additional court review of constitutional issues or issues involving the justness or reasonableness of rates may be had by the filing of an appeal with the Law Court, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(5).

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